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Sparrow Makes Limelight Again

By Craig R. Turner

The continuing saga of James Sparrow came into the limelight Wednesday when it was learned that the A&T basketball star was not officially enrolled in the university.

Dr. Jesse Marshall, vice chancellor for student affairs, was contacted late Wednesday about Sparrow's status as it concerned his office. Marshall was asked why hadn't Sparrow been officially enrolled at the time of registration.

"That is something I would like to know. The only really conclusive thing I found out was that he was unregistered at the beginning of the week," said Marshall. "When I found out, I wrote a letter to the vice chancellor of development and university relations."

"I would like for him to check to see if Sparrow is enrolled or not and to present some documents or papers to that effect. Obviously something is wrong, and there are some questions that will have to be answered," Marshall stated.

"I am checking with the Registrar's office, and he has not been enrolled and there are no class cards for him," Marshall had commented that Sparrow had been attending classes but could not explain why there weren't any class cards in his name.

"Money has been made available for him to continue as a student athlete and Sparrow's case is somewhere between the Registrar's office and Dr. Albert Smith's office. Dr. Smith is checking to see if he had a validated schedule or not," said Marshall.

When asked what would become of Sparrow if the situation is not resolved, Marshall stated that he would have no choice but to inform his dormitory counselor to have Sparrow out of the residence hall (Scott) within 24 hours.

"It may sound cruel, but it would not be fair to the other students on this campus if he is not officially enrolled in this institution for him to stay any longer than necessary," Marshall stated that the unyielding circumstances would render him helpless if Sparrow could not enroll at this late date.

This reporter met with Dr. Albert Smith, vice chancellor of development and university relations, to further clarify the situation. Smith explained exactly the reasons behind Sparrow's ineligibility.

"There are three types of eligibility that a student athlete must meet: first, the NCAA; second, the conference; and, last, the institutional requirements. The institution requires that every student complete 24 hours at the end of his second year and be making progress toward graduation."

Sparrow enrolled for 12 hours and completed nine leaving him three shy of the total number from the previous semester. Smith expressed the belief that Sparrow would do the necessary things that would enable him to regain his playing status.

Dr. Smith maintained that the problem could be solved if Sparrow would appear in his office so that he and Dr. Marshall could work out the necessary paper work to apply for enrollment. All would be needed then would be for the Dean of the School of Education to okay his registration so it would clear the Cashier's office.

Smith stated that he had not been able to contact Sparrow so that the process could take place. He said that his office would try to get word to him as quickly as possible.

Smith was also asked about the future of Head Basketball Coach Warren Reynolds and the increasing speculation about his possible dismissal. A&T finished the season with 3-23 overall and next to last in the MEAC.

"I will once again say that no decision or evaluation will be made until after the season has ended. It would be unfair to the coach, the players, and to the supporters of our athletic program to make any kind of speculation about the future," stated Smith.

"We are simply preparing for what we feel will be a very possible dismissal."

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What Is The Library Hiding?

Earlier this week this writer was informed of the resignation of another library staff member. If the count is correct, that brings the total number of persons leaving their library positions to 17.

If anyone would like to know the reasons behind the exodus of library personnel, it would not be good advice to talk with the "director" of the library. This reporter made such an attempt to see Ms. Tommie Young to get an explanation as to why an unusual number of staff employees were leaving.

By way of her secretary, Ms. Young said she had commented enough on the matter. What this writer would like to know is, whom has she talked to? She hasn't given a reason explaining why the employees are leaving—that is, not to The A&T Register. We feel that the students and faculty should know exactly what is going on in the library. Does the director feel the university community isn't entitled to some type of explanation? Also, does the director know that tuition helps pay salaries?

Dr. Glenn Rankin, vice chancellor for academic affairs, has been unavailable for comment on the library situation.

It has been mentioned on one occasion that the director, (who claims to be related to Alex Haley) had threatened a former employee. That person soon afterwards resigned. Such actions do not represent the attitudes of a responsible director.

There is something wrong somewhere, and that somewhere is the Library. As a person determined to find the truth, this writer will continue to seek the elusive answers to the questions concerning the "second great exodus."

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Letters To The Editor:

Aggies Are You Concerned?

To The Student Body:

Aggies, are you concerned? Are you concerned about F. D. Blufford Library? You find a book after 15 minutes of searching and climbing two flights of stairs. Your subject is on page 10. With frantic delight you turn to pages 9 and 12. How do you feel now that ten is missing?

Are you concerned about the number of activities that take place on A&T's campus? Education is a mixture of things and just booking. What has happened to the 25c and 50c dances that took place in Moore gym? Organizations, please stand up. There is a large profit to be made in the community. Any activity given on campus by an organization in the end will be a plus for that group.

What are your feelings when you watch another student put saliva in a water fountain, a water fountain sooner or later you will want to drink out of? Why not say something? This is your place too. You are not a coward.

What are your feelings after standing in line for 15 minutes, and getting your food tray and having to walk around the cafeteria to find a place to sit?

The reason is that trays are left on the tables. Is that you or girl so cool or cute if they leave their trays on the table? Are they cool as they walk out of the door with their trash left behind for you.

This is a call for us as Aggies to examine ourselves, to speak to each other politely about the necessary acts committed. This is a call for us as a student body to smile and shoo these atrocities. Through a united effort, with each individual participating, we can overcome.

By Mary E. Cropps

Who Will Be The Losers?

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An article appearing the February 24 edition of The Greensboro Daily News reported that University of North Carolina officials feel that the NAACP Legal Defense Fund's challenge to the UNC desegregation plan could mean quota assignment of both students and faculty members. The officials also said the challenge could mean a merger of Black and white campuses, like A&T and UNC-G.

On the other hand, Julius Chambers, president of the legal defense fund, said that the talk of mergers and quotas was a "smokescreen" and that all the NAACP court action seeks to do is to enhance some programs at Black institutions. The Legal Defense Fund made North Carolina a part of a court suit against HEW and other southern states on the grounds that the university's desegregation plan does not go far enough in eliminating segregation or improving predominantly Black campuses. It seems that UNC officials are trying to scare the NAACP into dropping the court action against them. They know that Blacks are definitely not in favor of merging Black and white campuses.

If UNC-G and A&T were to be merged, we know who would come out on the short end. Traditionally, Black schools have always gotten bad deals.

UNC President William Friday calls the desegregation plan a "good one." He feels it should be carried out. The question is, can we trust the system?

Remember how they teased us by dangling the possibility of a veterinary school in our faces? They never intended to locate the school here. All the research was far enough in eliminating segregation or improving predominantly Black campuses.

It is a good possibility that their "desegregation" plan is another hoax being played on us. They say they don't want to merge Black and white campuses, but what do they have to lose? We will be the ones to lose.
Things looked pretty dim for this UMES cheerleader.

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Vets Could Owe Government

Veterans going to school under the GI Bill could wind up in debt to the Federal government if they drop courses or receive non-punitive grades under certain circumstances, the Veterans Administration cautioned.

VA officials explained that a recent Congressional amendment to the GI Bill requires the agency to retroactively cancel assistance payments for a course dropped without a grade. This applies also in cases when a course is completed but the grade assigned is, in effect, ignored by the school for graduation requirements.

The new regulations do not apply when the situation was caused by circumstances beyond the student's control, VA said. Officials at A&T are requesting that all veterans and dependents complete their yellow veteran data cards. Failure to do so may result in termination of benefits. The cards must be in the Veterans Affairs office no later than Monday, February 28.

VA described the new regulation as a major change in GI Bill benefit payments policy. The new law provides that VA may not pay educational benefits for any part of a course which is not used in computing graduation requirements. VA officials explained.

This means, they said, that many students will find themselves overpaid under the GI Bill if they drop courses from which they withdraw and for courses in which the assigned grade is not used in computing the requirements for graduation.

Payments for such a course must be stopped as of the first day of the school term, or December 1, 1976, whichever date is later, they said.

For example, if a student withdraws from a course on April 1, under the conditions outlined, VA payments will, in effect, be terminated retroactively to the beginning of the term.

In the past, GI Bill payments would have been continued up to the date of withdrawal but the new law prohibits this.

VA urged students enrolled under the GI Bill not to drop a course or request a non-punitive grade until they have contacted their school's veterans affairs office and understand what effect the withdrawal from a course or grade may have on their monthly VA checks.

The agency also recommended that both students and school officials provide a brief statement concerning circumstances of the withdrawal or grade assignment when reporting it to the VA.

VA will then determine the effect of the circumstances on the withdrawal or grade assignment and notify the student of the action taken to adjust his or her educational benefits.

Students Want More Programs And Services

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would refer someone else for assistance.

Students were highly interested in the implementation of new programs and additional services by the Counseling Center. Ninety-four percent of the students polled stated an interest in participating in one or more of the following programs and activities listed according to priority: (1) Study Skills Workshops, (2) Student Counseling Program, (3) Sex Education Program, (4) Rape Services, (5) Pregnancy Information Program, (6) Health Program, (7) Group Counseling Sessions, (8) Equal Rights Amendment Program, (9) Sensitivity Group Sessions and (10) Remedial Programs.

Ninety-one percent stated that they would utilize a "Dial-a-Counselor Hotline System" (a direct telephone line to a counselor for students with pressing problems or seeking immediate help).

Under the category of Test Programs, 85 percent of the students polled indicated that they had received some form of test administration or interpretation. When asked if they were satisfied with the testing services, 60% reported satisfaction.

Let's Hustle !!
Morgan Bears Slip By Hawks

By Dennis Bryant

In Monday night's MEAC Tournament semifinal, the Morgan State Bears defeated the Maryland Eastern Shore Hawks 78-73. The Bears will meet South Carolina State at 7:00 p.m. Friday night in the semi-finals.

The Bears, led by Anthony Young with 19 points, fought the Hawks out of the MEAC Tournament, yesterday. The Bears slowed the tempo of minutes gone in the second half. The Bears led by Darrell Davis, with ease, The Hawks and the Bears had spurts of five and six points to go were the deciding points as it gave the Bears a five-point lead. With the score 59-56, the Bears, led by Darrell Davis, outscored the Hawks 6-2 to lead 65-58. The Hawks refused to give up and play dead. The Bears, led by Robert Davis, battled to within three at 65-63.

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SPORTS NOTEBOOK

By Craig R. Turner

After watching the opening round of the MEAC tournament, it became rather obvious that the trend of past tournaments will not be broken this season. The predominant teams should undoubtedly cast a large shadow over the play.

Morgan State shook off the effects of being too overconfident and eventually did away with a scrappy Maryland Eastern Shore team. At the time of this writing.

the night session of Thursday's opening games had not taken place, but if history repeats itself North Carolina Central should defeat Delaware State and Howard should get by the home-standing Aggies.

If there is a darkhorse threat, it would have to be A&T but the question remains whether this team can actually pull off the "cinderella story of the year" and win all of the marbles.

The opening game attendance was expected to be slightly off but the admittance of a few hundred high schoolers for a pre-tournament clinic helped boost the attendance to nearly 2,000. It was far from impressive.

Everyone is guessing on just who will survive into the final night and it isn't really clear at this point which team has the upper hand. Once again any team in this MEAC tournament is suspect.

The contrast as to the direction of the MEAC and rival C.I.A.A. was even more indicative as the C.I.A.A. was played in Hampton, Va., before a crowd of nearly 15,000 fans. It was a complete sellout.

The MEAC is hoping, really praying, that 10,000 will show up after the first two days. Just where is the MEAC going? Downing the conference? By no means. But some hard serious questions will have to be asked after this weekend of festivities is over.

Howell Names New Recruits

By Craig R. Turner

Although it's still nearly seven months away, the football campaign for 1977 got into full swing this week as Head Coach Hornsby Howell released the names of the prep recruits that his staff had signed as of this late date.

"From top to bottom they are probably as good a group we've signed since I've been here. We pretty much got whom and we've signed since I've been here," said Howell.

Leading the impressive list of newcomers is the highly regarded tackle along with Mike Quarlas (6-2, 240) from Sunburg. Kelvin Brigs of Sunburg, Maurice Bryant (6-7, 220) is from Petersburg, Va and is expected to contribute early and next season.

Andre Hatt (6-1, 254) from Detroit, Mich., is a highly regarded tackle along with Mike Quarlas (6-2, 240) from Sunburg, Va.

A&T was left without a center after the end of its 6-4-1 finish of a year ago and two husky youngsters plan to compete for that spot.

Gregory Pierce (6-4, 220) from Portsmouth, Va., and big, powerful Ron DuPree of Houston, Texas, is the other candidate. DuPree is an awesome 6-8, 280 pounds.

Defense was not left hanging for talent as evidenced by tackle Donald Spicely (6-2, 225) and end Emerson Hall (6-4, 240). Both are from Petersburg, Va., and Suffolk, Va. respectively.

Another fortunate catch was Frank Carr, a 6-0, 190 wide receiver from Charlotte who possesses blinding speed. Carr may inherit the post vacated by Dextor Fauster.

Round out the rest of the backs are Frankie Chesson, (6-1,180) from Chesapeake, Va.; Ronald Cherry (6-1,190) from Plymouth; Scottie Richardson (6-0,182) of Thomasville, and Eric Winbrook (6-1,180) from Charlotte.

Linebackers were considered a problem heading into this season's recruiting and the Aggies may have shored up that problem for some years to come.

Reginald Speller (6-3, 205) of Windsor, Dwight Lynn (6-5, 210) of Pittsboro, George Riddick (6-4, 218), and Frank Peeples (6-1, 200) from Charlotte are the replacements in that area.

Lineman have been a problem as far as size goes for A&T. This season marked the return of the big Lineman as the Aggies managed to grab several promising and more importantly intimidating specimens.

The offense will get needed help from 6-3, 235 pounder who may just break into the starting lineup come September.

Keith Davis makes a backward lay-up over a Bison defender.

Howard eliminated A&T in the first round of the third game in the MEAC tournament, 91-79. A&T moved to a 29-23 lead with 6:59 as they outscored Howard 10-4 over the next four minutes.

Howard came back behind the shooting of David Whitehead and Gerald Glover as he slipped underneath for easy short jumpshots.

The second half was all Howard as the Bison broke the game open, outscoring A&T 2-2 from the 13:25 mark to 8:13. After that, the game was a walk-away.

The victory marked the second time the Bison have gotten past the first round of tournament play.

A&T on the other hand was eliminated for the first time in the opening round.

The Aggies were led by forward L.L. Pipkin with 23 points and 10 rebounds, and Ellsworth Turner following with 22.

Howard was led by Gerald Glover with a game-high of 26 points and 11 rebounds. David Whitehead scored 16 points followed by Mike Nettles with 15, and Gerald Gaskins with 12.

In the second game of first round MEAC tournament play, last night, North Carolina Central squeaked by Delaware State, 66-65.

Central controlled the first half utilizing the fast break and taking advantage of numerous turnovers. At the buzzer, the Eagles held a comfortable 30-22 lead.

Delaware came back in the second half and scored five straight points. Delaware scored 53-49. Delaware managed to close the gap before the final buzzer but the final score was 66-65 in favor of Central.

Robert McClellan was the high scorer for Central with 20 points. Stanley Melvin scored 14 points and Ed Roer made 11.

Leading scorers for Delaware were Charles Shelty with 25 points and Isaiah Faulkner with 16.
Now comes Miller time.